Florida Community College at Jacksonville

A Report of the FCCJ District Board of Trustees Meeting

May 16, 1990

NEW TRUSTEES APPOINTED: President Charles C. Spence introduced the new members of the Board of Trustees recently appointed by Gov. Bob Martinez. They are Joyce J. Watson, who will replace present Board Chairman Alton Yates, retiring after eight years of service, and George M. Slaughter from Nassau County, who will replace Bett Yates Adams, who recently resigned. Welcomed back is Betty P. Cook, who will once again serve to represent Nassau County, replacing retiring Trustee John M. Carr, and Donald D. Zell, who has been reappointed. Zell, current vice chairman, will serve as chairman until the Board's annual organizational meeting in August.

HONORARY DEGREE TO BE AWARDED: A resolution was adopted by the Board to award an honorary associate of science degree to Charles F. Spencer, president and CEO of the International Longshoremen's Association, Local 1408. Spencer has served Local 1408 since 1984, and is serving his third consecutive two-year term as vice president-at- large of the Florida State AFL-CIO. The District Board of Trustees approved the award of the honorary degree to Spencer for his commitment to education in our community. The degree will be awarded during Adult High School graduation ceremonies on June 10, 3:00 p.m, at the Florida Theater.

BOARD AUTHORIZES COLLEGE TO NEGOTIATE FOR ST. JUDE PROPERTY: The District Board of Trustees passed a resolution authorizing the president and administration to negotiate on behalf of the College for the acquisition of the property located at State and Broad Streets, directly west of the College Administration Building, comprising 40,000 square feet of interior office space. The negotiations will not take place until the legislature provides sufficient funding.

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Donald D. Zell Vice Chairman **Duval County**

Alton Yates Chairman

John M. Carr Vice Chairman Nassau County

H. Davis Collier **Bett Yates Adams**

Ruth H. Corbitt

Joy M. Jones

Campbell L. Smith

FUNDING UPDATE PRESENTED: Yvonne Horner, budget officer, presented a funding update. According to Horner, a combination of Florida Retirement costs, social security increases, workers' compensation costs and projected health care cost increases, will eat up the new state appropriation of \$1.7 million. President Spence indicated the strong possibility of a tuition increase in order to balance next year's budget. According to Spence, even though the salary increases will create an automatic deficit, for 1991-92, we are committed to providing salary increases. "The state appropriation will still leave us underfunded for our enrollment by over \$5 million," said Spence.

RETIREES RECOGNIZED: Professor Elizabeth Reed, president of the Faculty Senate was lauded for her years of service to the teaching profession and to the College. Reed stated that, "a new breath of concern and interest in faculty came when Dr. Spence arrived." She said she looks forward to "renew, not retire." Irene Brown, secretary to Joan Hill, provost of South Campus, with the College since 1972, was commended for her years of service. We all wish them happiness in their well-deserved retirement.

CONFERENCE FOR TEACHING & LEARNING LAUDED: Trustee Davis Collier presented an action to the Board, which was approved, to present Trustee Gold Star Awards to Bill Martin and those faculty members instrumental in coordinating the first national Conference on Teaching and Learning held this month in Jacksonville. Special thanks were given to Debbie Cyphers and B. J. Schukis who provided staff support during the conference.

STARS SHINE AGAIN: Coach Howard Roey and the FCCJ baseball team were cheered for winning the Florida Community College Athletic Association state baseball championship. The team now advances to the Southeast District Tournament to be held in Macon, Ga.

Next Board meeting will be held Wednesday, June 20, 4:00 p.m., at North Campus.